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25X1 1. [] Talked with Robert Smart, House Armed Services Committee staff, concerning Agency proposals to initiate a program of permanent construction at [] mentioning that House Appropriations staff people have been advised and have requested written approval from the Bureau of the Budget and suggesting the Agency touch base with the CIA Subcommittee of Armed Services. Smart inquired as to our legal authority and I indicated P. L. 110 was adequate. His view which he requested not be attributed to him was that there was no requirement that the Agency come to the Committee and at such other time as the Agency meets with the Committee the matter could be discussed. As to the possibility of his making the trip, he was unable to.

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25X1 2. [] Congressman John J. Rhodes of Arizona telephoned saying he had a most unusual man seeking to work for CIA having Polish and Slavic languages and some Russian. He will furnish more particulars on a personal visit.

25X1 3. [] In company with Edward Saunders and Charles Mason met with Francis Hewitt, *Senate* Appropriations Committee staff, to discuss the permanent construction program at [] In substance Hewitt indicated that a letter to the Chairman would be necessary.

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25X1 4. [] Jay Sourwine, Chief Counsel for the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, called to say that the Chairman, James O. Eastland, was sending a letter to the Director indicating his interest in obtaining information on the subject of Soviet espionage in the U.S., its territories and possessions. Sourwine said although our answer might merely be that this is outside the jurisdiction of CIA, he wanted to alert us to this letter.

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